

What is claimed is:

1. A system for transferring a service request between a client application and a motion control system using a communications network, comprising:

- 5           a client build module for building a service request envelope for containing the service request, where  
             the service request is associated with a service performed by  
             the motion control system, and  
             the service request envelope may be transmitted across the  
10           communications network;
- a service request format module for extracting the service request from the service request envelope and transmitting the service request to the motion control system.

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